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DELEGATION

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1. ALTERNATIVE REPRESENTATIVE--TAKEO IGUCHI, COUNSELOR, TREATIES BUREAU, MOFA. AS COUNSELOR OF J/UN, IGUCHI WAS AT CARACAS AND GENEVA SESSIONS. SINCE LAST SPRING HE HAS SERVED AS ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL OF MOFA LOS OFFICE. IGUCHI IS THE SON AND GRANDSON OF AMBASSADORS; HIS FATHER, SADAO IGUCHI, WAS JAPAN'S PLENIPOTENTIARY IN OTTAWA, WASHINGTON AND TAIPEI AS WELL AS MOFA VICE MINISTER. IGUCHI IS VAIN AND EXCEEDINGLY RANK-CONSCIOUS, AND HENCE IS QUITE SUSCEPTIBLE TO FLATTERY BY THOSE HE REGARDS AS HIS EQUALS OR BETTERS. THOUGH POSSESSED OF A KEEN INTELLECT AND QUITE KNOWLEDGEABLE IN DETAIL, IGUCHI EVIDENTLY DOES NOT ENJOY THE COMPLETE CONFIDENCE OF HIS SUPERIORS. HE IS THEREFORE NOT A RELIABLE ORACLE THOUGH HE WOULD LIKE TO BE THOUGHT SO. WHEN HE IS TRYING TO IMPRESS, HE IS CAPABLE OF RATHER MELODRAMATIC OUTBURSTS. HE TERRORIZES HIS STAFF; AS A CONSEQUENCE, OUR WORKING LEVEL CONTACTS WITH THE MOFA LOS OFFICE HAS BEEN QUITE UNPRODUCTIVE.

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2. ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE--HISAMI KUROKOCHI,

ECONOMIC AFFAIRS BUREAU, MOFA. MRS KUROKOCHI IS A PLEASANT BUT TIMID FIXTURE AS DIRECTOR (UNDER IGUCHI, ABOVE) OF THE MOFA LOS OFFICE. SHE WAS AT THE CARACAS AND GENEVA SESSIONS AND SEVERAL INTERSESSIONALS DEALING WITH HER SPECIALTY, COMMITTEE III MATTERS. SHOESMITH

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